
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

PROPOSED SUB A HAS BEEN ADDED FOR S-656

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, May 30, 2023

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Room 313 - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [33](#)

BY F. Lombardi, Euer, LaMountain, McKenney, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES {LC572/1} (Increases the civil penalty from \$100 to a maximum of \$1,000, whenever a seller or their real estate agent fails provide a completed seller disclosure form to the buyer.)

01/18/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/17/2023 Meeting postponed

04/19/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/27/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [353](#)

BY McKenney, LaMountain, Britto

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- REAL ESTATE SALES DISCLOSURES {LC1424/1} (Establishes separate disclosure requirements for the sale of vacant land and for the sale of real property and improvements consisting of a house or building containing one to four (4) dwelling units.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

04/14/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/17/2023 Meeting postponed

04/19/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/27/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [359](#)

BY F. Lombardi, Ciccone, de la Cruz, Rogers, E Morgan, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- SNOWMOBILES AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES {LC1604/1} (Provides that the director of department of environment management shall by January 1, 2024 designate areas where operating recreational vehicles shall be permitted.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

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05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/18/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [381](#)

BY F. Lombardi, Ciccone, Euer, LaMountain, DiMario, Lawson, Britto

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE GENERALLY -- CAUSES OF ACTION {LC1609/1} (Provides immunity from liability for school employees whose position involves work with students for accidental injury or damage. Provides compensation for certain injuries received by school employees whose position involves work with students.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/24/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/28/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [387](#)

BY LaMountain, McKenney, Burke, Raptakis, Euer, Tikoian, F. Lombardi

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE -- PRELIMINARY PROCEEDINGS IN DISTRICT COURTS {LC1242/1} (Provides judges the discretion to make the time period of a filing under § 12-10-12, but in no event longer than the maximum jail sentence allowed by law.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/24/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/28/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [412](#)

BY Murray, Acosta, Valverde, McKenney, LaMountain, Pearson, Mack, Miller, Euer, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- LICENSING OF HEALTHCARE FACILITIES {LC1380/1} (Provides that one shall not be denied care on the basis of age, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, race, color, marital status, familial status, disability, religion, national origin, source of income, source of payment or profession.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/05/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/11/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [601](#)

BY Euer, F. Lombardi, Quezada, Tikoian, Acosta, Pearson, Sosnowski, Burke, Raptakis

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS -- PRIMARY ELECTIONS {LC1823/1} (Allows the first Tuesday after the first Monday in the month preceding the special election to be available to hold the special primary.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

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03/31/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

04/04/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [635](#)

BY Mack, Britto, Acosta, Tikoian, Euer, Kallman, McKenney, LaMountain, Lauria, Bell ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT --

CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT {LC1662/1} (Increases the maximum amount maintained in a prisoners account from one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to two thousand dollars (\$2,000), with said funds to be turned over to the prisoner at the time of their release from incarceration.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/17/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/21/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [656](#)

BY Acosta, Kallman, Mack, Murray, LaMountain, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS IN GOVERNMENT -- LEAD

HAZARD MITIGATION {LC1906/1} (Relieves property owners from implementing lead hazard mitigation for pre-1978 rental dwelling units that are comprised of 2 or 3 units, one of which is occupied by the property owner.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/16/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [657](#)

BY Lauria, Miller, Ujifusa, Bell, Murray, Euer, Kallman, Britto, McKenney, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- NURSES

{LC1815/1} (Prohibits any agreement whereby an advanced practice registered nurse is restricted in the right to practice in a certain geographic area, assist or provide treatment or establish a professional relationship with any other employer.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/05/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/11/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [731](#)

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

BY Burke, McKenney, Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- ABANDONMENT BY TOWNS

{LC1639/1} (Provides that road abandonments by municipalities be properly recorded in land evidence records.)

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

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04/28/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/04/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5596](#)

(Dept. of Business Regulation)

BY Voas, Potter, Diaz, Alzate, Solomon, Giraldo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS -- ABANDONMENT BY TOWNS

{LC1623/1} (Provides that road abandonments by municipalities be properly recorded in land evidence records.)

02/15/2023 Introduced, referred to House Municipal Government & Housing

03/03/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/07/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/14/2023 Scheduled for consideration

04/19/2023 Committee recommends passage

04/21/2023 Placed on House Calendar

04/25/2023 House read and passed

05/15/2023 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [812](#)

BY Acosta, Quezada, Britto, Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE -- PROCEDURE

GENERALLY -- JURY LISTS {LC2551/1} (Allows persons who are on parole, a suspended sentence or on probation to serve on juries.)

03/23/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

03/24/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/28/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [893](#)

(Judiciary)

BY Quezada, Ujifusa, Tikoian, LaMountain, Cano

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE--COURTS --

LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS--USE OF LANGUAGE INTERPRETERS IN LEGAL

PROCEEDINGS {LC2517/1} (Ensures that communications between court appointed interpreters and limited-English-proficient individuals involved in legal proceedings in the courts are confidential.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/18/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

Senate Bill No. [907](#)

(Judiciary)

BY Raptakis, F. Lombardi, DiMario, Tikoian, Burke, Quezada, Euer, McKenney, DeLuca

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN {LC2529/1}

(Transfers jurisdiction of child endangerment offenses from the family court to the superior court.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/12/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

05/16/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

House Bill No. [5897](#)

(Judiciary)

BY Diaz, Hull, Slater, DeSimone, Felix, Kennedy, Edwards

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL OFFENSES -- CHILDREN {LC2419/1}

(Transfers jurisdiction of child endangerment offenses from the family court to the superior court.)

03/01/2023 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary

03/17/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

03/22/2023 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

04/14/2023 Scheduled for consideration

04/20/2023 Committee recommends passage

04/28/2023 Placed on House Calendar

05/02/2023 House read and passed

05/15/2023 Referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for consideration

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [365](#)

BY Mack, Quezada, Britto, Kallman, Acosta, Murray, Euer, Burke, Gu, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND

TENANT ACT {LC1862/1} (Increases the amount of time of notice a residential landlord must give to a tenant prior to any rent increase.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [390](#)

BY Quezada, Euer, Cano, DiMario, Acosta, Lawson, Miller, Valverde, Kallman, Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND

TENANT ACT--IMMIGRATION STATUS {LC418/1} (Prohibits a landlord from inquiring about the immigration status of a tenant subject to any federal laws or regulations, but may request financial information or proof of identity.)

02/16/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [616](#)

BY Kallman, Mack, Murray, LaMountain, Lauria, McKenney, Pearson, Burke, Miller ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RHODE ISLAND FAIR HOUSING PRACTICES ACT {LC2049/1} (Prohibits one from inquiring into a prospective buyer or tenant's housing status, and provides an individual with an assistance animal an equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling so long the animal is not a threat to the health and safety of others.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [627](#)

BY LaMountain, Britto, Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT {LC2362/1} (Allows a person who is a first-time defendant in an eviction proceedings to file a motion for the expungement of all documents related to and the record of eviction five (5) years after the date of judgment entered by the court.)

03/07/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [808](#)

BY Mack, Gu, Acosta, Kallman, Euer, McKenney, Ujifusa, Lawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT {LC2658/1} (Provides that landlords would pay interest on security deposits in residential landlord-tenant matters.)

03/23/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [911](#)

BY Mack, Kallman, Murray, Valverde, Bell, Ujifusa, Acosta, Euer, Lawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT {LC746/1} (Creates a tenant bill of rights to the right to counsel, the right to habitability, the right to organize free, the right to be free from discrimination, the right to first refusal if the landlord decides to sell the property, and right to renew lease.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [912](#)

BY Mack, Kallman, LaMountain, McKenney, Euer, Acosta

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT {LC696/1} (Provides for the sealing of court files in residential eviction proceedings upon the filing of a motion.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [914](#)

BY Mack

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO PROPERTY -- RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD AND TENANT ACT {LC741/1} (Limits rent increases to no more than four percent (4%) annually and provides tenants with a civil action to recover damages for any violations.)

03/30/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1011](#)

BY DiMario, DiPalma, Miller, Valverde, Lawson, Lauria, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES {LC2899/1} (Requires the department of children, youth and families (DCYF) to conduct periodic comprehensive needs assessments to determine whether the department's programs and services meet the needs of children and families)

05/15/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1039](#)

BY Kallman, McKenney, Burke

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES {LC2746/1} (Changes zoning distance notice requirements and requires website and social media hearing notice postings.)

05/19/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1050](#)

BY McKenney, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING {LC2505/1} (Amends several sections of law relating to low-and moderate-income housing and the application, appeal, and judicial review process.)

05/19/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1051](#)

BY Tikoian

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES {LC2507/1} (Increases the amount of allowable units per acre for all projects subject to inclusionary zoning as well as other incentives and subsidies to offset differential costs of below-market units.)

05/19/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [1052](#)

BY Kallman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO TOWNS AND CITIES -- ZONING ORDINANCES {LC2503/1} (Creates the transit oriented development pilot program to encourage residential housing near convenient public transportation.)

05/19/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [745](#)

BY Ruggerio, Murray, Tikoian, Euer

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS {LC2369/1} (Prohibits sale of cosmetics that are developed or manufactured using animal testing.)

03/22/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [813](#)

BY Ruggerio, Pearson, Ciccone, DiMario, Sosnowski, Euer, Murray, Kallman

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMALS AND ANIMAL HUSBANDRY -- CRUELTY TO ANIMALS {LC2267/1} (Provides that any conviction of unnecessary cruelty to animals, malicious injury or killing of animals, or abandonment of animals, also carries the appropriate penalties pursuant to the domestic violence prevention act, where applicable.)

03/23/2023 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary

05/26/2023 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE

Senate Bill No. [656 SUB A](#)

{LC1906/A/1}

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL:

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Tuesday, May 30, 2023, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

TELEVISION AND LIVESTREAM INFORMATION:

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